



Blessed Sacrament CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

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Minutes of General Meeting of Tues., Jan. 8, 2013 at Parish Hall, 7:00P.M.

Attendance- Shirley McDonald, Donna Guiney, Marie Minifie, Anne Leclair, Helen Hanley, Cathy Splinter, Teresa Horner, Mary Seifred, Kelly Neville, Margaret Wilson, Theresa Shanks

- 1-2 **Welcome & Call Meeting to Order/Opening Prayer-** At 7:05 PM, Pres. Shirley McDonald welcomed members & opened the meeting with the Prayer for Vocations.
3. **Approval of Minutes from Nov. 13, 2012-** The minutes were distributed, read-motion to approve by Kelly Neville, seconded by Teresa Horner, approved by all.
4. **Spiritual Advisor's Report –** No report at this time.
5. **Spiritual Development and Reflection –** Donna Guiney read a reflection on how to focus on every new day and life in general.
Catch the Fire-summary report from Archdiocesan CWL read by Donna. Mary Seifred gave members an outline of this new CWL program-she explained there will be continuous workshops for 2 years- speakers will be asked to general meetings to give details. We will wait till Spring to invite speaker.
- 6 **Treasurer's Report/Annual Budget Review/Approval of Donations –** Margaret Wilson gave a closing 2012 report noting income & expenditures from Nov. and Dec., 2012. Margaret provided our 2013 budget. Motions made by Marie Minifie, seconded by Cathy Splinter & Mary Seifred; approved by all, to give our parish \$1,200.00 from Snowflake Bazaar profit as done in the previous year. Noted that cost of Masses annually might increase. Motion to approve our annual donations made by Marie Minifie, seconded by Mary Seifred, approved by all (e.g.Hope Fund, Birthright, Proj. Homeland, Grad. Gifts, Food Bank(to be given at May Food Blitz), VBS, Parish Assist. Fund, etc.).
7. **Membership Report-** Kelly Neville reported as at Jan. 8/13- no new members, 42 renewals, 50 unpaid members. Pres. Shirley will give a membership drive speech at Masses on Jan. 12th & 13th. Shirley requested volunteer help to collect memberships on Sundays in month of January.
8. **Old Business:**
 - 8.1 **Project Homeland 2013-**deferred to Feb. meeting
 - 8.2 **Card&GameNights-mini fundraisers-**Pres.Shirley McDonald (see P.3 outline)
 - 8.3 **CWL May 2013 Convention Tickets-**Mary Seifred had 9 books (4 sold)(3 left)(2 still out) Our council will sell at back of Church during first 2 weeks of Feb. if any books are left.
 - 8.4 **Funeral Luncheons & Policy Manual-**President Shirley McDonald discussed developing a small policy manual regarding funeral luncheons prepared by Blessed Sacrament CWL members. She issued a handout explaining changes considered by the council executive. Further discussion will be conducted at our February meeting.
9. **Standing Committees:**
 - 9.1 **Spiritual Development-**Donna Guiney informed that Ash Wed. is Feb. 13/13, Easter is Mar.31st. Forty (40) candidates are being prepared for First Communion to be held Apr. 13 & 14/13. Cake will be provided for these children by our CWL at a later date at OLMC School. World Day of Prayer will be held March 1/13 at Edith Rankin Church. Amherstview will host WDP in 2016.
 - 9.2 **Organization-**President Shirley McDonald will arrange a guest speaker on "Euthanasia Prevention" –perhaps at our Apr. 9th meeting (Discussion will be open to the parish).



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9.3 Parish Activities-Margaret Wilson informed members that KofC held the Children's Christmas party Dec. 8/12; KofC will hold a breakfast Jan.27/13 (cost \$6.00);CWL&KofC will hold a social evening in parish hall Feb. 19/13.

Communications: Note new parish website on agenda.

No reports received from Christian Family Life, Community Life, Education & Health.

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New Business and Other:

10.1 Correspondence-Mary Seifred received a thank you card from RHSJ sisters who attended our Christmas Potluck; Theresa Shanks passed around thank you cards from the Taylor family and Pat Hoobin. Pres. Shirley read an invitation letter to the CWL Archdiocesan Convention from St. Patrick's CWL in Napanee. Mary Seifred thanked Theresa Shanks for arranging the Christmas gifts given to CWL members at the Potluck. (souvenirs from RHSJ Regional House)
10.2 Craft Group/Christmas Shoppe-Theresa Shanks passed around a sign up sheet for the new CWL Craft Group. Members will make Christmas ornaments for the 2013 Snowflake Bazaar Christmas Shoppe. Time & Date: Tues. from 2-4PM for 4 weeks (Jan. 15-Feb5/13) in the parish hall.

10.3 Changes to Diocesan Convention-Mary Seifred explained proposed changes to the Archdiocesan Convention of May, 2013. Should it be for one day or one day and a half? A two thirds majority vote is needed to change the length of the convention. Our council has one vote. We will vote in Feb., 2013. (There will be no changes in 2013) Comments from our members to be brought to the President's meeting by Shirley McDonald: The cost to hosting councils is considerably high; there are too many meetings held at the convention.

10.4 2013 Dates-Pres. Shirley McDonald provided a handout to show our councils 2013 dates.

10.5 Other- Pres. Shirley noted that Mike Shanks received a Certificate of Appreciation at our December Potluck.

Pres. Shirley presented a Nativity Star Pendant to Marie Minifie, to thank her since she is retiring as Past President of our council. Marie wished good luck to the new executive. Share the Wealth was won by Shirley McDonald

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Adjournment-Theresa Shanks closed the meeting with the League Prayer at 9:06 PM.

Next Meeting: Feb.12, 2013

Future Meetings: Mar. 12, Apr. 9, May 14, June 11, Sept.10, Oct. 8, Nov. 12, Dec.10 (Potluck)



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Blessed Sacrament Parish Card & Game Night to be held at Blessed Sacrament Church Hall

- a social evening for parishioners and their friends, neighbours, others
- a source of funding for the parish (replacing spaghetti dinner)
- To be held on 3rd Tuesday of every other month, trial period in months of Feb., April, June, Sept. and Nov. from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM
- Refreshments will be provided (coffee, tea, water), and small desserts
- Share the Wealth will be held at each social (\$1.00 per ticket)
- Covercharge: \$2.00 per person (**would need to be raised if we offered more food/snacks**)
- Cards (Euchre, Bridge, Cribbage) board games
- A survey will be provided for the first three evenings to determine interests and frequency
- Advertisement in bulletin-Marie Minifie will do poster to display in local stores and venues, will be advertised on church website.
- "Organization Meeting and Interested parties" sign up sheet to be placed on Rel. Art. Cabinet
- Cards will be provided
- Guests should be age 16 and over
- Tentative date for Organizational meeting -Tues., Jan. 22/13 10AM in church hall.

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- Each person receives a card to keep their score
- Winners move on to another table but change partners
- Losers stay at the table but change partners
- Tally the number of tricks taken as well as the number of lone hands
- At the end of the evening, prizes are awarded:
 - Top score (male/female): \$4.00
 - Most lone hands (male/female): \$4.00
 - Lowest score (male/female): \$2.00

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Door Person, Kitchen Person, Circulating Person

Note: It was suggested by Helen Hanley that we could have a Children's Fun Time on a Saturday afternoon-Pres. Shirley recommended perhaps a couple of times a year annually. To be discussed at a later date.